STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Environmental Stewardship Division

Notice of Drainage Board Meeting for the Determination of Necessity and Adding Lands to the Drainage District

(In accordance with P.A. 40, of 1956, as amended, M.C.L. 280.122)

CUDDY INTERCOUNTY DRAIN

Notice is hereby given, that on June 3, 2013, a petition was filed with Denise Medemar, Allegan County Drain Commissioner, praying for the cleaning out, relocating, widening, deepening, adding branches, straightening, tiling, extending or relocating along a highway, installing structures or mechanical devices to properly purify or improve the flow, or pumping equipment necessary to properly assist or relieve the flow of the drain, or construct one or more relief drains, which may consist of new drains or extensions or consolidation with one or more existing drains or enlargements or connections to existing drains, or add one or more branches, to any portion thereof, and consolidation with all or a portion of the Gardiner Drain, which will properly drain the lands in said district, of a drain known and designated as the Cuddy Intercounty Drain, and further, to determine whether it is necessary to add lands to the Drainage District pursuant to Section 197 of Act No. 40. P.A. 1956, as amended; and

Whereas, the Drainage District for the: Cuddy Intercounty Drain includes lands within the following counties and their respective municipalities: Barry County: Yankee Springs Township; Allegan County: Wayland Township; and

Whereas, due notice of the filing of said petition and copy thereof was served upon Russell Yarger, Barry County Drain Commissioner; and Jamie Clover Adams, Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development; by Denise Medemar, Allegan County Drain Commissioner.

Now therefore, in accordance with P.A. 40, of 1956, as amended, a Drainage Board meeting of the Cuddy Intercounty Drain will be held on **February 5, 2014** at **6:00 P.M.** at the **Yankee Springs Township Hall, 284 North Briggs Road** in the Township of Yankee Springs, Barry County, State of Michigan, to determine if the drain is necessary for the good of the public health, convenience, or welfare and to determine the necessity of adding lands to the Cuddy Intercounty Drainage District.

The Drain Code (P.A. 40, of 1956, as amended) provides that any person feeling aggrieved by the determination of the Intercounty Drainage Board may institute an action in the Circuit Court in the county in which they reside for a determination of necessity. This action must be filed within 10 days after the determination of necessity or no necessity by the Intercounty Drainage Board.

Now therefore, all persons owning lands liable to an assessment for benefits, or whose lands will be crossed by said drain, or any municipality affected, are requested to be present at said meeting, if they so desire. Public comment will be received at the meeting. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Drain Commissioner in the county which they reside at the numbers noted below (voice) at least one week in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance. If anyone wishes to submit written comments **prior** to the date of the meeting, or has any questions regarding this notice, they may contact the following County Drain Commissioners' offices:

Denise Medemar Allegan County Drain Commissioner 113 Chestnut Street Allegan, MI 49010 269.673.0440 Russell Yarger Barry County Drain Commissioner 220 West State Street Hastings, MI 49058 269.945.1385

Dated at Lansing, Michigan, January 13, 2014.

Jamie Clover Adams
Director of Agriculture and Rural Development

By:

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